

**Romans 8:18-30**

v18 – consider	(verb)	to think carefully about; to have an opinion
v18 – present	(adjective)	now; current
v18 – sufferings	(pl.noun)	serious pains or injuries, either physical or emotional
v18 – comparing	(verb)	looking for what is the same or different between two things
v18 – glory	(noun)	magnificence; beauty; greatness
v18 - revealed	(verb)	made clear or shown
v19 – creation	(noun)	everything that God has made; the whole world and everything in it
v19 – eager	(adjective)	want something a lot
v19 – expectation	(noun)	when you look forward to something; strong hopes or beliefs that something will happen in the future
v20 - subjected	(verb)	put under the power of something; made to follow certain rules/ laws
v20 – frustration	(noun)	the state of being incomplete and unhappy
v20 – the will (of God)	(phrase)	God’s plan for the world
v21 – liberated	(verb)	set free
v21 – bondage	(noun)	the condition of being strongly controlled by someone or something, and not being free to do what you want; slavery,
v21 – decay	(noun)	the process of rotting, of breaking down naturally or becoming waste
v21 – glorious	(adjective)	magnificent; beautiful; great
v21 – freedom	(noun)	the state of being free, not being a slave
v22 – groaning	(verb)	deep crying because of pain and grief
v22 – childbirth	(noun)	the act of giving birth to a child
v23 – firstfruits	(pl. noun)	the first of the crop which is collected in a season
v23 – groan	(verb)	deep cry of pain and grief
v23 – inwardly	(adverb)	not aloud, secretly
v23 – eagerly	(adverb)	wanting something a lot
v23 – adoption	(noun)	the act of being taken into a new family as their child
v23 – redemption	(noun)	the act of having been bought back for a price
v24 – saved	(verb)	rescued from danger
v24 – seen	(verb)	visible
v25 – patiently	(adverb)	calmly and without annoyance, even with a situation is difficult

v26 – weakness	(noun)	the state of being weak, having flaws or errors
v26 – ought	(verb)	should
v26 – intercedes	(verb)	coming between two groups or people as a mediator; speak on behalf of one person to another
v26 – express	(verb)	show what you think or feel
v27 – searches	(verb)	looks carefully for something
v27 – saints	(pl. noun)	those people who are right in God’s sight; Christians
v27 – in accordance	(phrase)	(something) done in a particular way, according to a rule or system
v28 – called	(verb)	summoned by God to belong to him
v28 – according to	(adjective)	agreeing with; consistent with
v29 – foreknew	(verb)	have known beforehand
v29 – predestined	(verb)	have been decided beforehand for a particular outcome
v29 – conformed	(verb)	made like another
v29 – likeness	(noun)	being alike; having the same appearance, behaviours etc
v29 – firstborn	(noun)	the first child
v30 – justified	(verb)	declared righteous; said to be right and acceptable
v30 – glorified	(verb)	made magnificent

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<sup>18</sup>What we are suffering now is nothing compared with our future glory. <sup>19</sup>Everything God created looks forward to the future. That will be the time when his children appear in their full and final glory. <sup>20</sup>The created world was held back from fulfilling its purpose. But this was not the result of its own choice. It was planned that way by the one who held it back. God planned <sup>21</sup>to set the created world free. He didn’t want it to rot away. Instead, God wanted it to have the same freedom and glory that his children have.

<sup>22</sup>We know that all that God created has been groaning. It is in pain as if it were giving birth to a child. The created world continues to groan even now. <sup>23</sup>And that’s not all. We have the Holy Spirit as the promise of future blessing. But we also groan inside ourselves. We do this as we look forward to the time when God adopts us as full members of his family. Then he will give us everything he has for us. He will raise our bodies and give glory to them. <sup>24</sup>That’s the hope we had when we were saved. But hope that can be seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? <sup>25</sup>We hope for what we don’t have yet. So we are patient as we wait for it.

<sup>26</sup>In the same way, the Holy Spirit helps us when we are weak. We don’t know what we should pray for. But the Spirit himself prays for us. He prays through groans too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>God, who looks into our hearts, knows the mind of the Spirit. And the Spirit prays for God’s people just as God wants him to pray.

<sup>28</sup>We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him. He appointed them to be saved in keeping with his purpose. <sup>29</sup>God planned that those he had chosen would become like his Son. In that way, Christ will be the first and most honoured among many brothers and sisters. <sup>30</sup>And those God has planned for, he has also appointed to be saved. Those he has appointed, he has made right with himself. To those he has made right with himself, he has given his glory.

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